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GENERAL LUNG MAY RETURN TO YUNNAN Successful Coup In Province Assured ARRANGEMENT WITH REDS

General Lung Yun, former Governor of Yunnan Province and one of the bitterest enemies of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, may return to Yunnan shortly.

Independent Nationalist sources told the "China Mail" last night that General Lung Yun has made preparations to fly into Yunnan and to take over when the Nationalist authorities evacuate in face of internal uprisings.

Arrangements have already been made with a certain aviation concern for chartered flights from Hong Kong to Yunnan.

General Lung Yun will be given an enthusiastic welcome when he returns to his home province.

Facing the Nationalists to evacuate and the taking over by General Lung Yun, they added, would save the Communists the trouble of occupying the province by force.

The high mountainous frontiers of Yunnan present a great handicap for an invading army.

The only way to take Yunnan is to instigate internal uprisings under the leadership of General Lung Yun.

The "China Mail" learned that General Lu Han, nephew of General Lung Yun and until recently Governor of Yunnan Province, is co-operating with his uncle.

He recently retired from his post on the excuse of ill-health to facilitate his uncle's return and to avoid embarrassment with the Nationalists.

Exchange Of Views

There has been frequent exchange of views and messages between General Lung Yun and General Lu Han during the past three weeks. Their personal representatives have been travelling to and from Hong Kong and Kunming by air.

Recent sudden suspension of flights out of Kunming (when two CPA planes were detained) was carried out by the Nationalists to prevent General Lu Han from leaving the capital. His present whereabouts are not known.

General Lung Yun was relieved of the governorship of Yunnan in 1948 by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who sent his brother-in-law, Dr T. V. Soong, to accompany the General from Kunming to Chungking. There he was given a high honorary post.

He escaped from Nanking and came to Hong Kong nearly a year ago. He has strongly criticized the Kuomintang Government and has thrown in his lot with the new regime.

The decision on recognition has been taken in principle by the Cabinet but action on timing is left to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, they said.

At any rate, informed sources said, recognition of the Peking government can be expected before Christmas this year.

The sources said the procedure will be simple.

They said: "The Foreign Secretary will reply, in formal terms to the note received from Peking government's Foreign Minister (Mr. Chou En-lai) informing the British Government's diplomatic recognition."

"The Foreign Secretary's reply would be transmitted through the British Consul-General in Peking." —United Press.

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The Weather

At 0800 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm which crossed the Southern Philippines and entered the China Sea appears to have intensified and is now centred about 500 miles E of Balon, probably moving slowly westward across northern South China, denting the rest of the area, and is spreading slowly eastwards across Japan.

Today's Forecast—Moderate or fresh NW winds; overcast with patches of drizzle during the morning.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 65 deg. Feh. Minimum 52 deg. Feh. Sunshine: Nil.

Rainfalls: 0.6 mm.=0.02 in. Total since Jan. 1-2091.6 mm.=81.84 ins. and against an average of 81.82 ins.

88.41 ins.

Pakhoi Doomed

In Southern Kwangsi, the Communists have penetrated into the outskirts of Pakhoi, a town about 90 miles W of Yunnan. It is reported to fall at any moment.

General Pai Chung-hsi, left Hainan on Tuesday for an unclassified base on the mainland. It was reported that he is personally directing counter-Mitoma and

General Visits HK



Lieutenant-General R.N. Gale, CB, CBE, DSO, MC, Director of Military Training, War Office, arrived here by air yesterday from the United Kingdom for a short visit. He was met at Kai Tak by Lieutenant-General Sir E. C. Robert Mansergh, GOC-in-C; Colonel G. Anderson, Deputy Director of Medical Service and Major E. I. Morris, Senior Chaplain. Lieutenant-General Gale is on the left. ("China Mail" photo)

LI HOPING TO SEE TRUMAN

San Francisco, December 7. General Li Tsung-jon, Acting President of Nationalist China, arrived in the United States today and was greeted by a wildly cheering crowd of Chinese residents.

General Li later left by plane for New York where he will enter the Presbyterian Hospital for treatment.

In a statement, General Li said that after medical treatment he plans to talk with Government leaders and visit this beautiful country. He hopes to see President Truman.

General Li said "I am here solely for the purpose of obtaining medical treatment."

"It is a matter of regret that because of my health I have to be absent from China at a time when she is undergoing one of the most serious crises in history.

"As soon as my physical condition permits me to do so, I shall return to China and resume my personal direction of the struggle on which the outcome of the future well-being of the human race will largely depend."

At a public reception General Li said: "The Communist threat to China and Asia is grave but there is cause for hope."

The statement assured "our American friends" that the Chinese people are determined to preserve their liberty.

The statement said that General Li's absence from China in no way affects the campaign against the Communists, and as soon as his physical condition permits he will return to China and resume his personal direction of the struggle.

"I expect all Chinese to support the Nationalist Government. This is not a civil war. It is a war of aggression directed by the Third International."

"We are not only fighting for China. We are fighting a worldwide campaign."

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Reds Claim Major Victory In South

San Francisco, December 7. The Communist Peking radio today disclosed the full extent of the smashing defeat inflicted in the past week on the Kwangsi troops of General Pai Chung-hsi, in which the cream of the Nationalist forces remaining on the mainland were encircled and cut to pieces.

After General Li has undergone medical treatment, he will get down to business with American officials. He will speak for Nationalist China with little more than token authority as nominal head of the Government.

His personal representative in Washington, Dr. Kan, during the last month has received nothing but the cold shoulder in response to his pleas for fresh American assistance.

General Li's visit to the United States will almost certainly prove embarrassing to American officials.

Protocol required the Government to extend an invitation to the Acting President once he had expressed desire to visit this country. But General Li's visit will serve to rally critics of the State Department's China policy in a new campaign to obtain additional aid for the Nationalists.—United Press and Associated Press.

SHIP TO PICK UP ANGUS WARD

The ss. Pacific Transport left Hong Kong yesterday to evacuate the United States Consul-General, Mr. Angus Ward, and his staff from Tientsin.

The entire passenger accommodation on the Pacific Transport has been chartered by the United States State Department.

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were destroyed and very few

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Peking radio added: "Mean-

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Mr. Ward and his party will

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Defence Argument In Murder Trial

Submissions that the shot that killed the deceased had been fired at a time when the masked raiders who had entered a house in Pokfulam were making their escape, was made by the defence at the Wong Yiu murder trial yesterday.

Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, defence counsel, argued that it could not be said therefore that there was a common intention among all the men to commit murder while each was individually on his own, trying to escape.

Wong Yiu, alias Ko Lo, was charged before Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, for the murder of Ng Yuet, a barber's wife, at her house on August 2. The prosecution, which is conducted by Mr. A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, charges that Wong—in his own statement alleged to have been made to the police admitted taking part with three others in the forcible entry into 10 Pokfulam, and that a shot was fired by one of them, whereupon all fled from the scene.

Mr. A. S. Rose is instructing Mr. Bernacchi for the defence, while Detective Sub-Inspector A. Cochrane is assisting the Crown.

Yesterday, the accused asserted from the witness stand that in taking statements from him, the police had not taken down what he actually said.

Truth At The Time

Mr. Hooton, in summing up his case, submitted that when the accused made those statements to the police as to being present at the scene of the crime, he was telling the truth at the time.

The reason for this was that, not thinking that his presence at the spot could implicate him in a murder charge, the accused had no motive to lie.

Mr. Bernacchi then told the jury among other things to weigh the probabilities of the cast very carefully. On this basis, he contended to the jury, they should hold that at the time the fatal shot was fired the men were attempting to escape from the place, and all intentions to commit robbery had ceased.

Their reason for quick getaway was the commotion the barber and his wife started, counsel added. It could not be said therefore that there was a common intention among all the men to commit the offence of

murder while each was individually on his own, trying to escape.

Hearing was adjourned until 10 a.m. today, when the Chief Justice will sum up the entire case to the jury.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Thank-You!

Sir—Through the medium of your paper, I wish to express my thanks to the European Officer in charge of supervising the exit and entry passage at the gate of the Royal Navy Dock, for his assistance given to us last Thursday during a car accident in which I was unfortunately involved.

His willingness to attend to all cases of emergency deserves admiration. I appreciate very much his sincerity in doing whatever he could to relieve me from distress caused by the injuries to my face, in consequence of the collision between the two cars. It was very kind of him to render aid in such manner as to merit high praise.

Yours etc.,
A. V. C. T. M.

Speed On The Peak

Sir.—"Tortoise" has raised a protest because of the speed limit of 20 miles per hour imposed on the Peak. How very sorry we "lower levellers" are for him!

As a normal motor-car cannot be expected to climb the Peak at much more than 20 miles per hour, one can assume that he is the possessor of a large and powerful car and, most probably, a chauffeur to go with it. On the strength of this, one can deduce that he dictated his letter to his private stenographer as a means of overcoming his boredom until the evening brought him relief in his daily social activities.

No "Tortoise," you will have to get up a little earlier if you are to be in time for your cocktail parties!

Yours etc.,
SHANKS PONY.

FIREWOOD RATIONS

Registration of applicants for a ration of firewood will begin tomorrow, according to a Government release yesterday. Distribution will start in a week's time.

The ration will consist of 10 catties a person and the price will be \$10 a picul. The ration will be distributed monthly. According to an official of the Department of Supply and Distribution, which is handling the control of firewood, nearly 250,000 residents are eligible to receive the ration.

The Government release said holders of rice ration cards in Shaukiwan should register with the following firewood retail shops in their firewood ration cards:

1) Sze Lee Chan, Sai Tat Street No. 112.

2) Cheung Kee, Sai Tat Street No. 273.

3) Leung Lo Kee, 134 Tung Tai Street.

Registration will last from tomorrow till December 14, the Government said, and rice ration card holders who fail to register during this period will forfeit their first firewood ration. However, they will be allowed to register direct with Wing Wah Company, 14 Oh Lan Street, and will be given their firewood ration cards.

An official of the Department of Supply and Distribution said that only holders of rice ration tickets will receive firewood, and in order to provide this ration Government stock will be tapped.

He said he hopes that the ration will bring open market prices down, which have tended to increase since the stoppage of the West River source of supply.

Mr. B. N. Cooper pleaded guilty on behalf of Yu Chung-kuang, manager, and Wong Sun-poo, secretary, and also on behalf of the Company.

Detective Sub-Inspector W. E. Thomas of the Commercial Crimes Investigation Department said that the Peninsula Taxicab Co. Ltd. was started in April 1947. Since then up to the present time, the company failed to report to the Registrar of Companies the Annual Return of 1948 and also failed to report the allotment of shares to the various shareholders.

Inspector Thomas added it was a case of continuing offences which started in June, 1947 and rendered the Company liable to a fine of \$600 per day on the allotment summons and \$50 per day on the annual return summons. The present summonses were issued on November 1 to November 3, 1948.

He asked that a judgment of the case be taken. Since the manager had been taken out of the Company, he has filed all the necessary documents.

Mr. Cooper said that the fine arose from inadvertent omission by the directors of the Company. The members who formed the directors' and board of control consisted mainly of the two families of Wong and Yu. They had started the Company in 1947 and most of the shares were allotted to members of either family and the Company was treated as a family concern.

Thus, totaling \$600 were imposed on the defendants on all the summonses.

Labour Leader in Court

The Chairman of the Chinese Patriotic Employees Association, S. S. Soi, of Lai Yip Wing, was admitted before the J.P. Court at Central yesterday. He was arrested while he had maintained a school at 47 Queen's Garden Street, third floor, on September 12, without the permission of the Director of Education.

Lai Yip Wing, who was unrepresented, pleaded not guilty and the case was adjourned till tomorrow.

Marine Fined

Dennis Portelega, aged 26, Royal Marine of HMS Bulwark, was found guilty of assaulting a train engineer on December 1, by Mr. Justice Wong Lo at Central on Thursday.

Yesterday, after producing a medical report on the injuries suffered by engineer Wong Ming, Justice Wong Lo fined Portelega \$100 and ordered to pay \$100 compensation to Wong Ming.

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THE CHINA MAIL, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1949.

INTERNATIONAL COURT TO RULE ON CASE OF SOUTH WEST AFRICA

Flushing Meadow, December 6.

The United Nations General Assembly, by a majority vote, today decided to ask the International Court of Justice to rule on South Africa's obligations on South West Africa. The Court will be asked to answer two main questions: (1) What are the international obligations of the South African Government with regard to the former mandated territory of South West Africa?

CHINESE BOND ISSUE

San Francisco, December 6. Four hundred million Chinese would have to advance 10 catties of millet each to buy up the proposed Chinese Communist people's victory bonds issue, the Peking radio announced, indicating the ambitious dimension of the Chinese Communists' bond project.

Quoting the non-Communist politician Ma Shu-jun, the broadcast said: "The total sum of the victory bonds equals four billion catties of millet, averaging 10 catties per capita of the Chinese people."

The broadcast further disclosed that the Chinese Communists are planning to levy from the peasants 24 billion catties of millet during the coming year.

Other non-Communist comment on the bonds, as carried by the Peking radio, stressed satisfaction that the Peking Government is making no bones about its financial difficulties.

"The Government did not hide the fact of inflation and its financial difficulties. Since the Government is so frank the people will undoubtedly give their full support," the radio quoted Mr. Chang Lan who heads a minor party in the so-called Chinese Communists' "coalition" United Press.

(2) Has the South African Government the right to modify the international status of South West Africa and if not who has such a right?

An amendment, passed by 30 votes in favour, six against, and seven abstentions, also asked the following question:

"Is South West Africa subject to the provisions of Chapter 12 of fundamental principles of the international trusteeship system?" Denmark, Norway and Syria.

The original resolution was sponsored by India, Thailand,

Denmark, Norway and Syria.

Before the vote was taken the President of the Assembly, General Carlos Romulo, ruled that the resolution was procedural and therefore required only a simple majority.

Scott Documents

The resolution as a whole was then passed by a show of hands with 40 in favour, seven against and four abstentions.

Those voting against were: South Africa, Liberia, the Soviet Union, Byelo-Russia, Czechoslovakia, Poland and the Ukraine.

The abstentions were Cuba, Yugoslavia, Greece and Argentina.

By a narrow margin of 21 votes to 20, with 11 abstentions, the Assembly adopted a clause on the resolution listing the documents to be submitted to the Court and described as likely to throw light upon the question.

Among these documents was the evidence submitted by the Reverend Michael Scott on behalf of the Herero tribes of South West Africa.

The Assembly also decided to ask South Africa to resume the submission of reports on South West Africa to the United Nations.

Regret Expressed

The Assembly, discussing the status of 317,000-square miles South West Africa for the fourth year in succession, had earlier in the day expressed regret that the Union Government had "withdrawn" its previous assurances to submit reports on the administration of the territory.

The Assembly also reiterated previous years' resolutions urging the Union to put South West Africa under a United Nations trusteeship agreement.

The Assembly was voting on an India-Guatemala resolution and the vote was taken on the parts separately by roll call vote.

The part asking the Assembly to "reiterate" previous years' As-

ssembly resolutions urging South Africa to put South West Africa under United Nations trusteeship agreement was supported with a vote of 20 in favour, 12 against and 11 abstentions.

But when it came to expressing the Assembly's "regret" that South Africa had not taken these previous resolutions into account, this was voted down to 27 in favour, 14 against and 11 abstentions.

This "regret" cause was then deleted from the resolution and it was put to the vote as a whole.

Britain Abstains

Nine votes against were then cast by Belgium, France, Greece, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, South Africa and the United States.

Britain abstained with Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Israel, New Zealand, Nicaragua and Peru.

As originally worded, the Indian-Guatemala resolution, on which the Assembly was

Commonwealth Financial Aid For Burma

Rangoon, December 6. Countries of the British Commonwealth have agreed to give Burma financial aid amounting to 350,000,000 Burmese rupees, an official source said today.

The source said the decision was disclosed to the Foreign Minister, U E. Maung, on his recent visit to London. It is understood that the first part of the loan will be made in 1950.—Associated Press.

TESTS ON WARSHIPS IN THE TROPICS

Singapore, December 7. Scientists are at work on experiments at the King Edward VII College of Medicine to determine whether warships in Far Eastern waters should be "tropicalised" to suit climatic conditions.

At the last moment, however, the Indian delegate, Mr. Sudhir Choudhury, said that he was quite prepared to change the word "repudiate" to "withdraw" as his delegation had previously offered to do in committee.

This was accordingly done in the resolution.

Mr. G. P. Jooste, South African delegate, had expressed strong resentment against the use of the word "repudiate" when he addressed the Assembly today.

The Assembly also heard Mr. Hermod Lanning of Denmark say that the World Court should be asked for a ruling because it was "obvious" that hope had now failed of reaching a solution of the South West Africa problem.—Reuter.

London, December 6. The United Nations Secretariat building under construction in New York calls to mind a "gigantic tombstone", a British architect, Mr. A. Tryant Edwards, declared today.

Writing in the trade journal "Building", he said that it promised to be the bleakest and most uninteresting building in the world.

"The Secretariat building where the deliberative and executive functions of the Organisation are performed assume a forbidding exterior and grovel to the ground," he wrote.

He added, "Cannot something be done to civilise this building and make it more worthy of its stated function before it is too late?"—Reuter.

NEW MOVEMENT IN GERMANY

Heidelberg, December 6. Prince Hubertus Zu Leiningen founded the Deutsche Aktie (German Action), an irredentist nationalist refugee union at Amorbach near here, today.

The new movement claims that it is not a political party and calls for the return of all German refugees and expellees to a unified Germany with her historical frontiers.

The movement will be directed from the Reich Secretariat at Amorbach.

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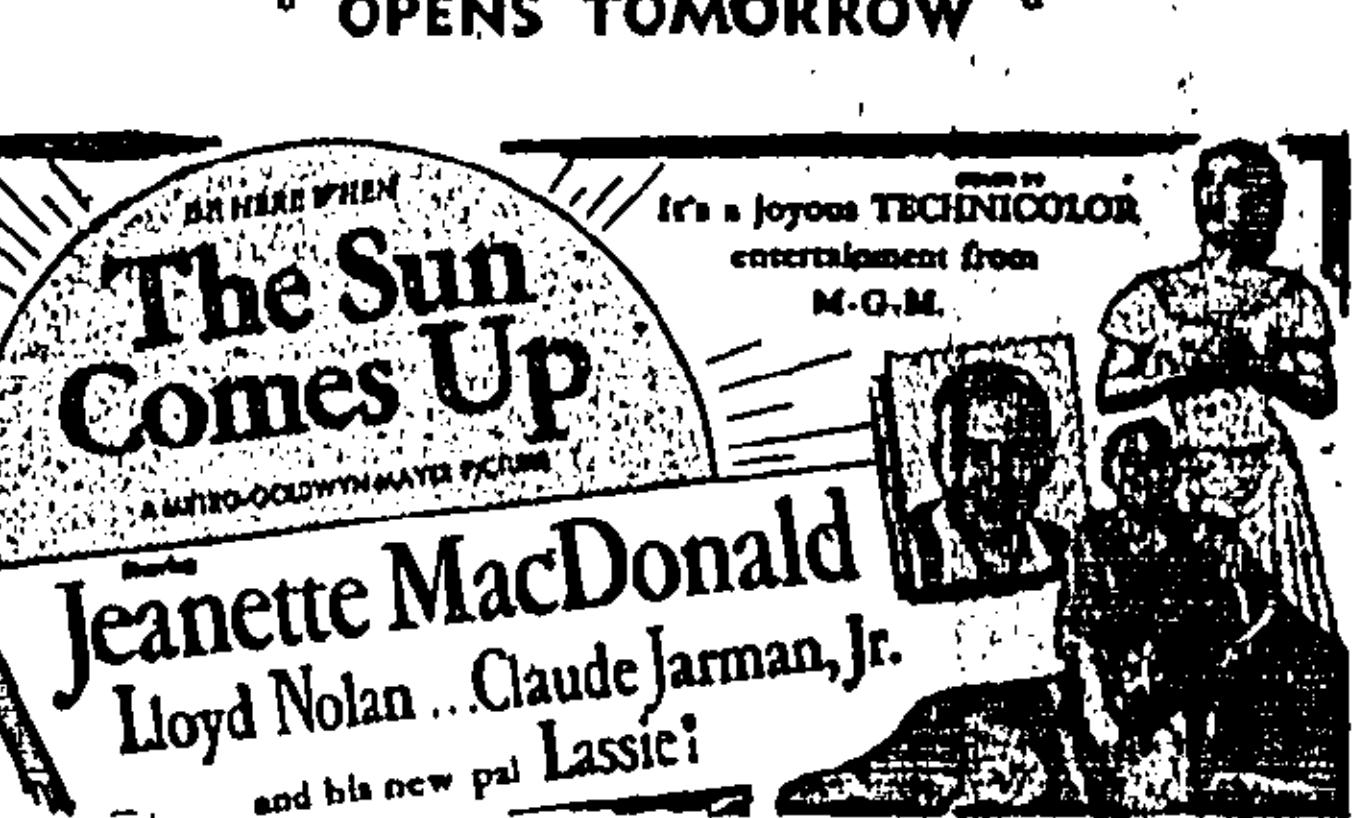
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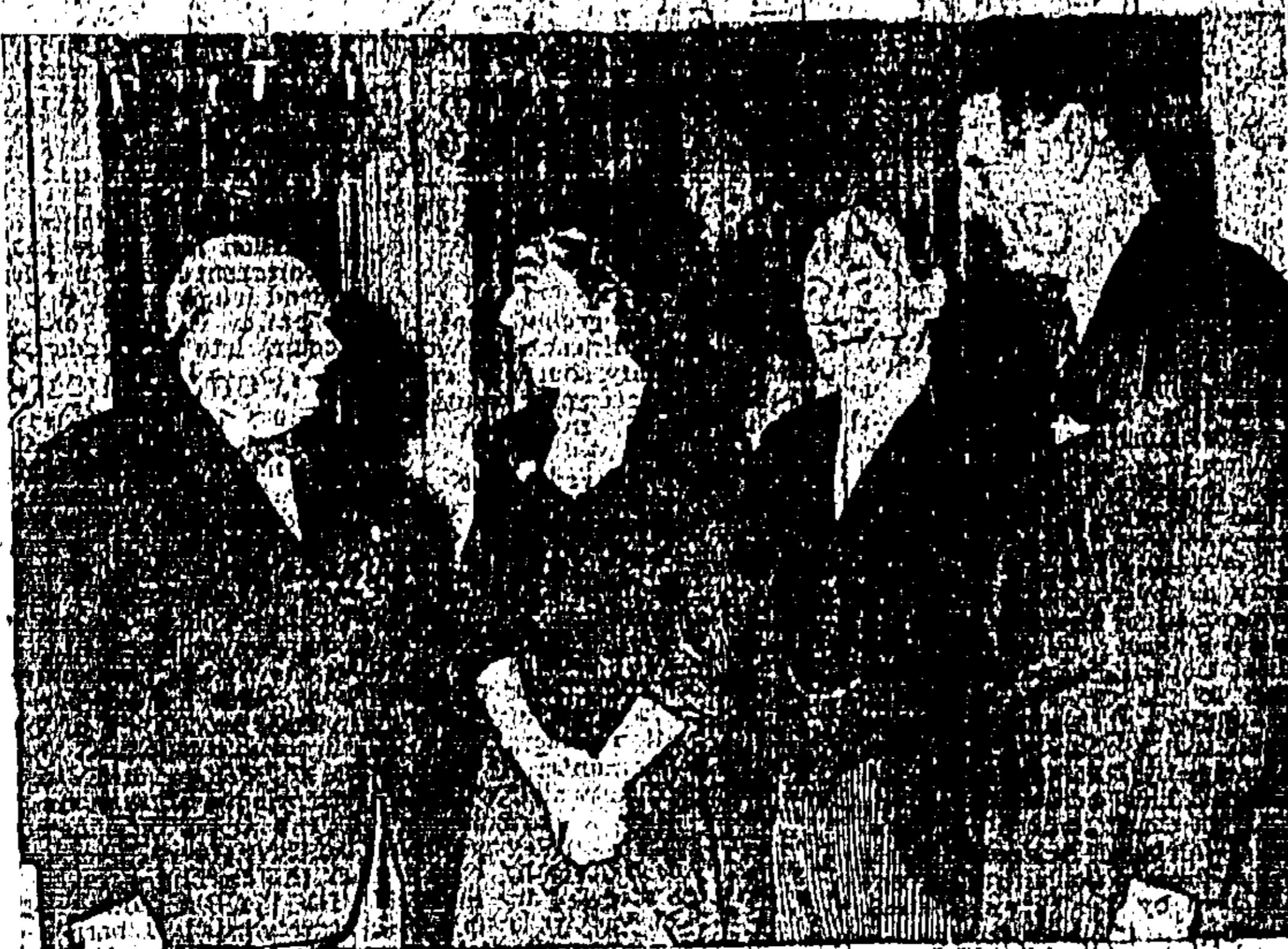
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Danish Royalty In Britain



The Opposition Leader and wartime Premier, Winston Churchill, was 75 on November 30. The Danish Embassy in London honoured the occasion by a special birthday lunch attended by the King and Queen of Denmark. Guests were the Danish Ambassador, Count Edward Rethwisch and his wife. Photo shows: left to right at the Embassy lunch are: Winston Churchill; Queen Ingrid of Denmark; the British Premier, Clement Attlee; and King Frederick of Denmark. (Associated Press Photo).

ATOMIC PARTNERSHIP REVIVAL DISCUSSED

Washington, December 6.
Britain's decision to halt work on a large new atomic pile raised speculation today over possible revival of the British-American-Canadian partnership in atomic energy developments which existed during the war.

That would mean the participation of British scientists in American atomic research, including weapons.

It also would mean the sharing of atomic secrets by both countries to a degree unknown in recent years.

Some diplomatic authorities believe that recommendations along that line may be taken up with Congress early next year.

CRUSADE FAILURE FORECAST

Belgrade, December 6.
Yugoslavia's official newspaper predicted today that the Cominform's demand for a world Marxist Crusade against Yugoslavia will boomerang.

"Borba," Communist organ of Marshal Tito's Government, said in a four-column editorial the Communist information bureau's latest manifesto completed the bankruptcy of the so-called Soviet peace policy, and marked the collapse of its wishful reliance on an internal Yugoslav revolt.

The editorial was the first detailed reaction there to the resolutions adopted in a meeting of the Cominform in Hungary and published just a week ago. The resolutions laid it on the line that it is the "international duty" of Communists and workers everywhere to help overthrow the Tito regime.

"Borba" said this was a monstrous plot to make the world workers the "tools of the non-peace-loving policy of the Soviet Government." These workers, the paper added, have been given the international task of swallowing "another poisonous pill."

The Cominform's resolution of June 1946 throwing Tito out of the organisation was at least disguised as "some kind of Marxist document," "Borba" said, but the latest one dropped such pretences and resembled the sentence of some court martial.

The editorial said this action by Russia and her satellites will "only deepen and increase" disapproval of such tactics among the working masses. — Associated Press.

ISRAEL MISSION TO THE PI

Tel Aviv, December 6.

An Israel five-man goodwill and trade mission is to leave for the Philippines on Thursday to study the possibilities of a further exchange of goods and the development of air communication.

The delegation is headed by Dr. Gershon Moron of the Israeli Foreign Office. — Associated Press.

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Washington, December 6.
Economic Co-operation Administration officials here disclosed today that seven European countries have been asked to refund a total of \$30,000,000 in Marshall Plan funds. Reason is that they failed to ship 50 per cent of assistance goods in American-owned ships.

The countries involved are France, Britain, the Netherlands, the Belgian-Luxembourg Union, Sweden, Eire and Denmark.

ECA officials said that the money refunded would be used to purchase additional Marshall Plan goods for the countries concerned.

The request for refunds was made after a two-day conference here last week between the ECA and the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

The seven countries were accused by the ECA in October of

RED BID FOR WEST BERLIN

Berlin, December 6.
The Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party is planning an all-out political campaign to capture West Berlin this winter, reports from Eastern and Western sources here today showed.

The main lines of the campaign were announced on Sunday by Franz Dahlem, Spanish war veteran and member of the Central Committee, addressing the Berlin District Conference of the Party.

"The American Imperialist enemies of Germany have established their bridgehead in Berlin from which they hope to sabotage the progress in the German Democratic Republic," Herr Dahlem stated.

"We must capture this bridgehead from within and tear it from the hands of the enemies of the German people."

Practical steps to be taken must include the following, Herr Dahlem stressed:

(1) Let united fronts be set up with Social-Democrats and members of the Communist trade unions.

(2) Members of West Berlin factory groups must be invited to inspect nationalised factories in the East.

(3) Boycott campaigns similar to those in France and Italy must be initiated against war-mongering films and newspapers.

(4) Peace committees and groups of the German-Soviet Friendship League must be established, particularly based on prisoners of war.

The official Soviet "Taegliche Rundschau," giving its blessing to the campaign today stated that West Berlin must be captured by the West Berliners themselves fighting against the foreign agents.

"Berliners are the same people whether they live in East or West and conditions that have become natural and obvious in the East must become natural in the West," the paper said.

The West German news agency today reported that according to well-informed Communist sources the campaign should reach its peak in the middle of January.

The campaign would be aimed particularly at the quarter of a million unemployed in West Berlin, the agency stated. — Reuter.

KASHMIR REPORT

Flushing Meadow, December 6.

The report of the United Nations' Kashmir Commission has been completed and is expected to reach the United Nations' headquarters within the next few days, High U.N. officials said. — Reuter here today.

When the report is received it will be circulated to members of the Security Council, the officials said. — Reuter.

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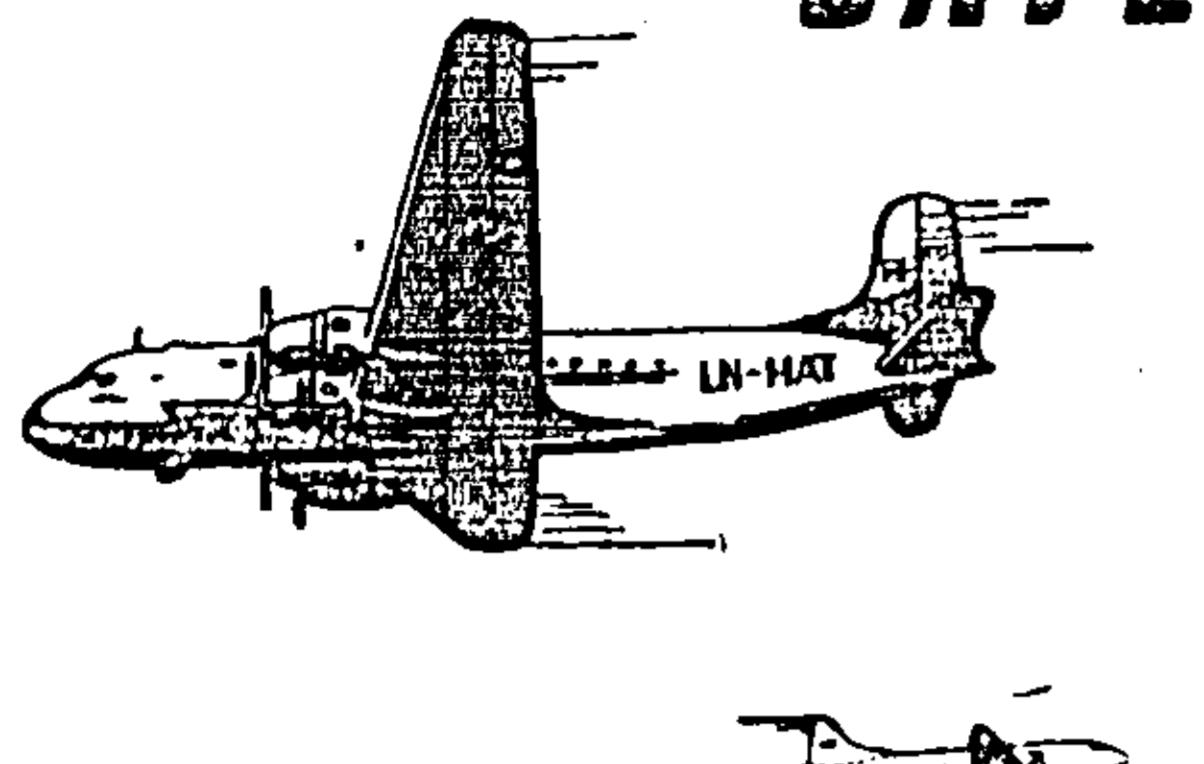
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DEATH

DUNBAR ELSIE LYONS, beloved wife of LAMBERT DUNBAR passed away on December 6th, 1940, in San Mateo, California, in her 60th year.

THE SIBU OUTRAGE

The attempt on the life of the new Governor of Sarawak, Mr. D. G. Stewart, at Sibu must have come as a shock to many people. Murder and violence have been rife in neighbouring Indonesia during the turbulent years since the war, but hitherto the Malays in British territories have kept to their ways in peace and order. It does not follow that the incident, deplorable in itself, is symptomatic of any deep-seated disorder. It does indicate nevertheless, that even such isolated areas as North Borneo and Sarawak, which have been models of order, are not wholly sheltered from the upheaval which has nearly all Asia in its grip.

The two Malay youths concerned in the attempt on the Governor's life apparently, belonged to the Union of Young Malays, whose members are said to be opposed to the cession of the territory to Britain. Some of these wish to see the Brooke dynasty restored. That attitude is somewhat atavistic in these days, for Modern youth seems impatient of privilege in all its forms, and has as little respect for inherited titles as it has for the modern bureaucrat. Of course, a change of regime involves a great many things, for family systems grow up around the centre of authority, and the decline of one means the decline from place and privilege of the other and there has been a lot of criticism of the way in which cession was effected.

In the case of the Brooke Dynasty in Sarawak, there is also no doubt a certain loyalty which derived from a picturesque and benevolent tradition. Sarawak enjoyed British protection, and left the control of external affairs to the British Government in the days of the Dynasty. It could never have survived independently even in the past—still less in the future—without Britain's backing.

The ultimate act of cession, in which the former ruler himself took the initiative, was entirely logical, if not necessarily impersonal. Sarawak presented serious problems at the end of the war. Both that territory and British North Borneo had taken a terrible beating. Recovery and rehabilitation involved heavy cost. Pressure for new development was considerable, and that, too, meant more money. The British taxpayer has been quite generous about this, and if the many plans for new development have not borne fruit as yet, that is not because the funds were not available.

There was no more persistent propagandist in Malaya than Mr. Anthony Brooke, who continually brought up the issue of cession at every opportunity. It has also been taken to the highest judicial levels for judgment. Unless there is a legal decision to the contrary, however, it is most unlikely that policy will ever be changed either in North Borneo or in Sarawak. Under the new regime, the rudiments of self-government have been developed a good deal, and are practised by nearly one-third of the in-

SOCIALISM FACES ITS BIGGEST SET-BACK**By G. WARD PRICE**

If Australia's Labour Government is defeated at the polls on Saturday—which close investigation reveals as likely—it will be the greatest set-back Socialism has received since it began to spread over the British Commonwealth.

The whole principle of Socialism is at issue in the coming election. The Opposition, consisting of the linked forces of the Liberal and Country Parties, appears to the voters in the name of individual freedom and private enterprise as against State control.

For a British observer it is rather humiliating to find how Britain, under her present Government, appears to Australian eyes in the light of "an awful example."

In his official manifesto as leader of the Liberals, Mr. R. G. Menzies, former Premier, says: "The Socialists in Britain are already introducing industrial conscription. How could they do otherwise? It is essential to the whole Socialist conception."

The Bad Example

The fact that walls in Sydney and other Australian cities still carry appeals to send food parcels to Britain has brought home to the Australian minds the failure of the British Socialist Government to fulfil the promises it so glibly made to the electors four and a half years ago.

If anyone seeks a monument to Socialism let him look around him and study Britain," says the "Sydney Bulletin." "There a Socialist Government, elected on a Socialist programme, has shown that it is essential to the whole Socialist conception."

"The country is almost bankrupt; inflation has run away with the sterling pound; shortages of food and everything else are increasing; new phase of 'austerity' beyond anything the British people have sampled yet—and now the Socialist crowd is frightened of its own policy."

No Great Issue

In this Australian election there is no issue on which both sides have agreed to measure their strength.

The Labour Government says

the election turns on employment, accuses the Opposition of wanting to create a pool

of habitants. Nine more local authorities have been established, most of them on a racial basis, though in one particular region all the races living there take part, and it is hoped to extend this principle not only among the local bodies but also to the Council Negri. Most of the 11 unofficial seats recently became vacant, and it was officially stated some months ago that opportunity had thereby been taken to begin fuller representation of the people by their elected members.

A broadly-based pyramid of election has been instituted among the Ibans, with its counterpart among the other races. The heads of the longhouses elect their Penghulu or headman, the Penghulus in turn elect members of the District Councils, whose members elect representatives to serve on the Divisional Councils. These Councils in turn nominate six members to serve as officials on the Council Negri.

District and Divisional Councils are inter-racial. For

example, in the First Division, which returned one Chinese and one Malay, each received votes from Malays, Chinese, and Dyaks alike.

This helps to break down the many racial distinctions and to merge them into a sense of common Sarawak citizenship.

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It is impossible to deny a

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with its Elizabethan flavour.

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workless people as a source of economic pressure. This is reflected by the fact that the prevailing demand for labour is so intense that factories are working short time for lack of hands.

Office boys are being offered more than £5 a week and the ordinary worker has so much money to spend that, according to a Treasury Report issued recently in the past 12 months the average betting turnover has been £2 per head.

The Opposition's main challenge to the Government is on the policy of Socialisation as symbolised by the recent attempt to nationalise the banking industry. This was defeated by the High Court whose decision that it infringed Australia's written Federal Constitution was confirmed by the Privy Council.

Fear For Banks

There is a widespread fear that if the present Government got back to power it would find a way to squeeze the commercial banks out of business by methods similar to those being employed by the internal airlines, which compete with the Government's own service.

Bankers, industrialists, agree in

opposing Government control of

National Health Scheme.

So far the resistance of the profession has made the Labour Government's health legislation a dead letter, but if it is returned to power it may drag the doctors into submission.

Petrol Question

The comparatively insignificant question of petrol rationing may swing many votes against the Government, though the attempt to nationalise the banks, that this measure was unconstitutional. So to save face, as well as dollars, the Labour Government has had to appeal to the State Legislatures to impose petrol restrictions.

This persisted in curtailing supplies antagonised the former in addition to garage owners and motorway organisations.

The Opposition maintains that sufficient petrol can be bought in the sterling area.

In the last House of Representatives the Liberals held 18 and the Country Party 11 out of 75 seats. This left the Labour Government with a majority of 16, as one of the 75 seats is held by the representative of Northern Territories, who doesn't vote.

For Saturday's election the size of the Australian Parliament has been almost doubled by the creation of new constituencies. Instead of 75 members it will have 121; while the Senate has been increased from 36 to 60.

An American visitor to England was charmed at one hotel to find an aspidistra in his sitting room. He much preferred it to the palms in the hall.

To late, though.

"The marriage of Miss _____ and Mr. _____ which was announced in this paper yesterday, was a mistake and we wish to correct."

A rather callow teen aged, just starting out on his career, of "dates," remarked to the girl: "I went out with a nurse yesterday."

"Never mind," replied the girl. "Perhaps in a year or two your mother will let you out without one."

Statistics prove that 60 per cent of divorced cases are caused by financial troubles.

Till debt do us part.

An Australian has divorced his wife because she threatened to run him through with carving knives, forks and scissors.

Wot, no skewers?

Myrtle's grandfather says botany is the art of insulting flowers in Greek and Latin.

"The Inspector said that defendant had given his business as 'business.'

In short, none of your.



It seems that whoever wants the airlines must go through the usual processes of law.

I am, however, able to deny the report that there has been any noticeable increase in demand for details about next year's limousines and new yachts.

"Details on decorated residents sought."

Now Myrtle, keep calm. Nobody's trying to check up on you.

According to a contemporary, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. _____ who weighed a str

SINO-RUSSIAN CASE KEPT ALIVE IN UN

*Dispute Referred To
Interim Committee
A VICTORY FOR CHINA*

Lake Success, December 6.
The United Nations Main Political Committee today recommended that Nationalist China's dispute with Russia be sent to the interim committee which meets between Assembly sessions for continuous study and report to the next session of the full Assembly.

The vote was 23-19, with 14 abstentions. Russia and her four Cominform partners voted against the measure. Yugoslavia abstained. The vote was regarded as a diplomatic victory for Nationalist China because it keeps its case alive before the United Nations.

Observers regard it as a setback for the United States. The U.S. Ambassador-at-large, Dr. Philip Jessup, State Department expert on the Far East, had opposed the move to send the Chinese issue to the "Little Assembly."

Nationalist China told the United Nations that if it does not take firm action in the Chinese dispute with the Communists, "that silence means unconditional surrender to totalitarianism."

Dr. Li Tsung-jen, leader of the Nationalist delegation, told the Committee that supporters of the United States had turned their backs off China, and that China had been abandoned by the United States and the U.S. Ambassador-at-large, Dr. Philip Jessup, State Department expert on the Far East, had opposed the move to send the Chinese issue to the "Little Assembly."

Russian dispute to the "Little Assembly" for further study and report to next year's full Assembly session. The Filipino suggested that the Interim committee be instructed to conduct its consideration of the case in the light of the principles expressed in the proposal introduced by the United States and four co-sponsors which in effect emanated in the proposal introduced by the Philippines amendment.

The Filipino measure would leave to the Little Assembly whether to take up the Chinese item inasmuch as it simply "authorized" a group to do so if it should consider that such action "would promote stability in the Far East."

Serious Situation

Dr. Jessup said, "The delegates of the Philippines and the United States have stressed the importance of tying the work of the interim committee with the principles of the five-power resolution. But the real purpose of the Philippine amendment is not to tie up the two resolutions but if it is to stop all action on my charges. This resolution says we have done enough."

A Murderer?

Dr. Tsung added bitterly, "This draft amendment stresses the idea of stability in the Far East. I wonder what the author of this amendment had in mind when he used the word stability. Does he think that silence on the part of the United Nations would promote stability? If that is the philosophy why not carry it to the supreme?"

He added, "If silence on the part of the United Nations could promote stability in the Far East, it could do so in the entire world. That silence means unconditional surrender to totalitarianism."

Some delegations say that China brought its case to the United Nations too late; now we can do very little and since it is very little we can do, why do anything?"

"Murder intended to be committed in Greece failed. The murderer did not get far. In the case of China the murderer has gone far—that is the difference between the two cases before the United Nations. Some members of this committee say in their hearts 'Well, China is dead anyway, so what is the difference?' But Free China is not dead. Free China is still fighting. But suppose China is dead, the charges which I have brought before this Committee are not dead. The mere fact that murderer has been accomplished does not mean that the community should take no action. There has been one victim—there will be more."

Acknowledging that it might be dangerous to refer the dispute to the Little Assembly, the Philippine delegate produced an amendment tying the tri-power proposal to the resolution of the five powers. He said the five-

power measure was a statement of general principles concerning stability in the Far East. He said he wanted to make it clear that he was not speaking for all the five sponsors on the latter proposal but believed that a large measure of agreement could be reached on the basis of the Philippines amendment.

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A Farce"

Mr. Trujillo said the five-power resolution was like telling a thief who has been attacked by a thief, "Be calm, we will tell all other criminals that they are doing wrong."

The Philippine proposal, he said, was not an amendment but an essential change in the Cuban-Ecuadorian-Peruvian resolution and therefore was unacceptable.

"The Government of China could disappear but the fundamental principles would not disappear, neither would the aggression which caused its fall. If the problem is not faced squarely this would be tantamount to a farce and to a platform of lies."

The problem is not in saving millions of dollars or millions of pounds sterling in China but in saving the perennial principles on which the United Nations Charter is based."

Cuba's Miguel Demarco said his delegation categorically opposed the Philippine amendment.

The Peruvian delegate, Carlos Salazar, associated himself with Mr. Trujillo's statement. "The so-called Philippine amendment is profoundly different from the joint proposal of Cuba, Ecuador and Peru. The so-called amendment substituted conditional action for final action. Therefore, it is unacceptable."

Lebanon's Karim Aztoul said that China's accusations have not been studied sufficiently but even so the general principles of the five-power resolution do not dispel the Chinese problem."

He said, "The Lebanon delegation believes that the Assembly has the right to and should study this matter even if the accused Soviet Union maintains her boycott of the interim committee."

Mr. Aztoul added his opposition to the Philippine amendment.

"If adopted, the Philippine amendment will do nothing but legalize a fait accompli in China."—United Press.

AMERICANS TO BE RELEASED

Washington, December 6.
Informed sources today revealed that the Communist-controlled North Korean Government, in a radio broadcast today, offered to release, next Sunday, two American officials whom they have held since September 22.

Government sources here said that Radio Pyongyang in the capital of North Korea broadcast the offer in the Korean language at 6 a.m. today.

The two Americans are Albert Willis and Alfred Mescather.

The broadcast described the vessel aboard which Willis and Mescather had been serving as advisers as a "war vessel belonging to the South Korean Government."

The broadcast said the two men would be delivered at the station of Yohyon on the 38th parallel, which divides the Republic of South Korea from Communist North Korea, at 11 a.m. on December 11. If a representative of possessing a "power of attorney" were there to receive them.

The Communist broadcast asked the American Embassy in Seoul to confirm the arrangements by transmitting its acceptance over Radio Seoul.—United Press.

FAO DECISION

Washington, December 6.
The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization today agreed to set up a Committee on Commodity Problems to act as a clearing house for information on world food shortages and surpluses. It is a substitute for the proposed International Commodity Clearing House.

The plenary session also agreed to co-operate fully in the United Nations technical assistance programme for bid to under-developed areas.—United Press.

The city of anguish from the Chinese people will remain unheard."

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The present House, elected in March, 1946, ends its four-year term next February.

M. Diomedes made the statement when outlining the policy of his Coalition Cabinet in the Chamber, which re-assembled yesterday after an adjournment of four months.

The present Panchen Lama, although the third Panchen in exile, is still acknowledged by many Tibetans as the spiritual temporal head of the Lama hierarchy.

Second Broadcast

Together with the Dalai Lama—do Jure political head of the Lanna state—he is joint pontiff of lamas.

The Panchen and Dalai are both boys in their teens. The present Panchen's predecessor was asked to return to Tibet, but under the condition that he left behind his Chinese retinue. This he refused.

The Dalai is identified with British, the Panchen with Chinese interests.

The original 1924 split over Chinese versus British sympathies, is perpetuated in the persons of the two boys who are "fronts" for their respective regents...

This was the second Peking broadcast during the last two weeks in which reference was made to the Tibetan people's desire for "liberation."—United Press.

Prague, December 6.
The Czechoslovak Cabinet decided today to issue 50 and 100 Crown silver coins bearing Stalin's head to mark his birthday on December 21.—Reuter.

Proposal For MP's From The Colonies

London, December 6.
A proposal that Britain's 50 colonies should be represented in the House of Commons is raised in a question for the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, in Parliament tomorrow from a Labour Member, Mr. Harold Davies.

Political quarters do not expect the proposal to receive official support. For many years the policy of the British Government has been to lead the Colonial territories to self-government within the Commonwealth.

The Government would not consider that aim realised by Colonial representation on the metropolitan Parliament.

Mr. Davies told Reuter tonight that he did not advance the idea as a permanent step but as one to hasten the independence of the Colonies.—Reuter.

PEKING RADIO ON TIBET "LIBERATION"

San Francisco, December 6.
Union with China and struggle under the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party are the keys to genuine freedom and happiness of the Tibetan people.

So, at any rate, says the Chinese Communist radio, quoting Yihshichuchen, a refugee lama-politician and one-time secretary-general to the Tibetan regent Jilchen who was assassinated in the 1946 coup d'état.

Yishichuchen

Yishichuchen blames Jilchen's overthrow and death on the Tibetan pro-British faction which "working in collusion with the British imperialists, opened fire on lamaseries and slaughtered lamas who rose against the foreign aggressors."

The Tibetan people are looking forward to "liberation," Yihshichuchen said.

"It is only by closely uniting with the other peoples in the country to struggle under the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party, that the Tibetan people can attain genuine freedom and happiness," the lama said, according to the broadcast.

It appears that Yihshichuchen has joined the camp of the boy panchen Lama—also in exile in India—who two months ago asked Mao Tse-tung to "deliver the Tibetan people."

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The Government, he said, will endeavour to return to the normal constitutional life so that people will exert unhampered their constitutional rights."—Reuter.

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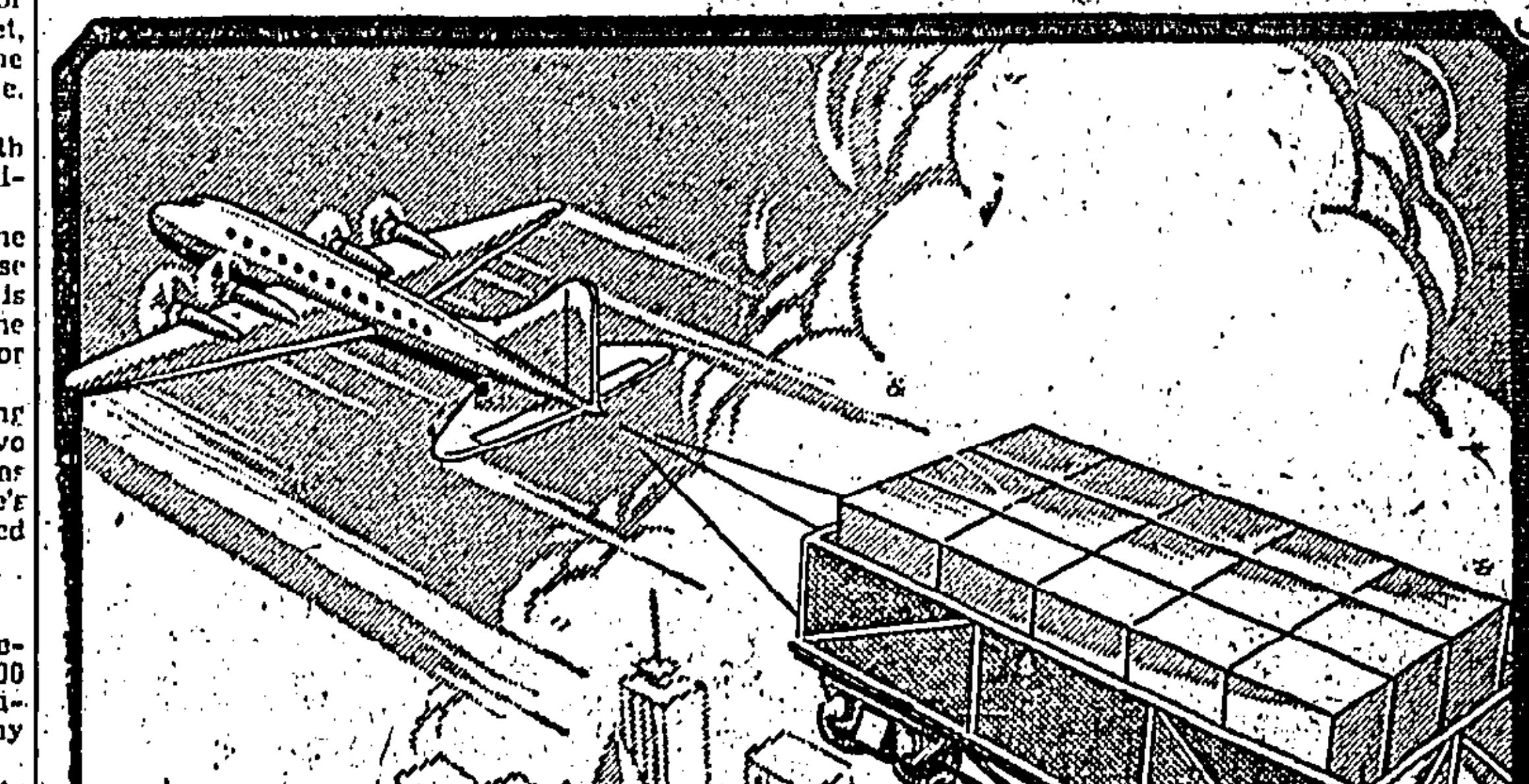
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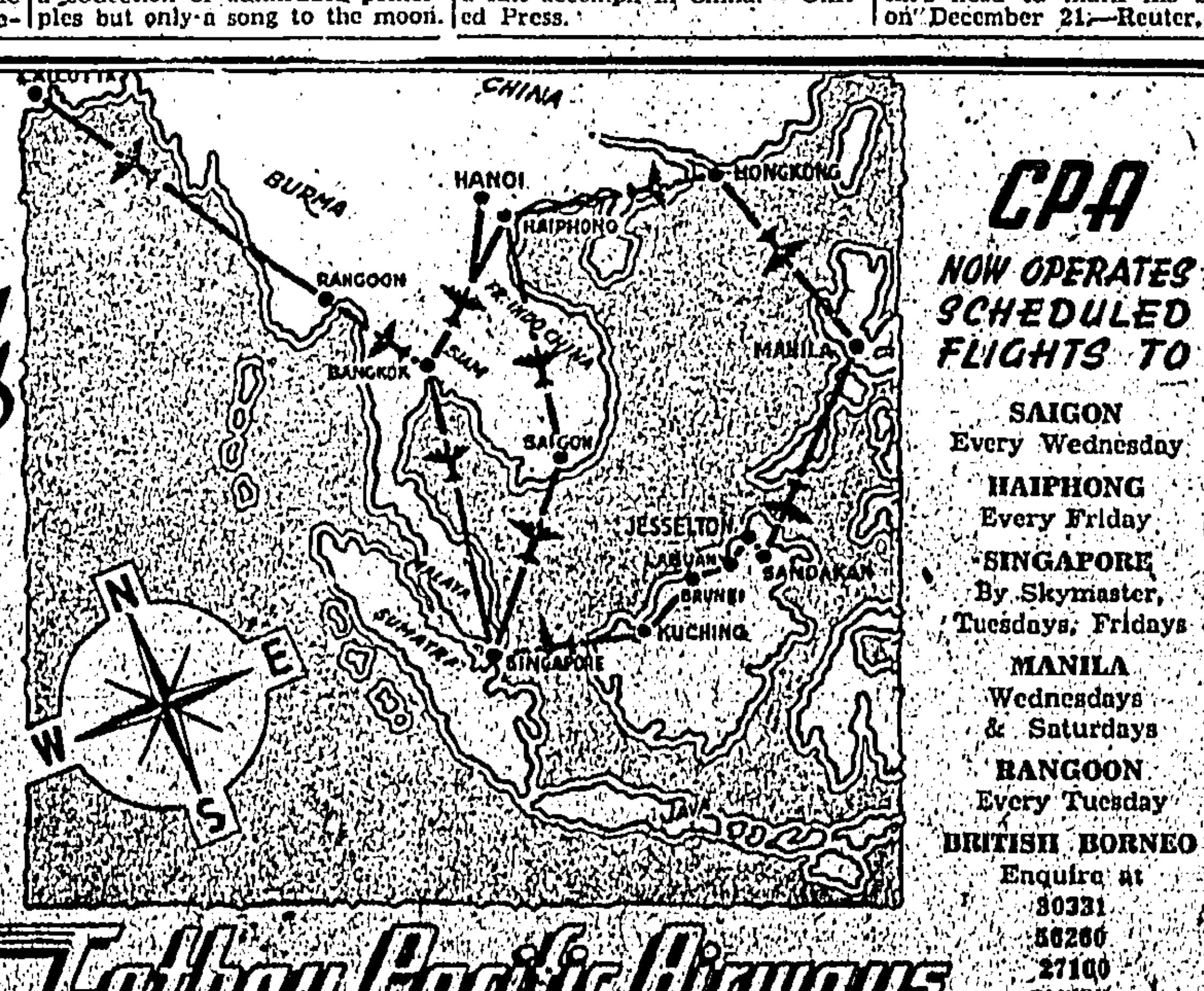
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Film Star On Arms Charge



The French film star, Georges Marchal, on trial at the Palais de Justice in Paris on a charge of having undeclared arms in his possession, gives a light to his secretary, Helene Baur, widow of the French film star Harry Baur, who was killed by the Germans during the war. (Associated Press Photo).

WALLACE TO TESTIFY ON ATOMIC SCANDAL

Washington, December 6.

The former Vice-President, Henry Wallace, inevitably will be called before the House Un-American Activities Committee to tell what he knows of wartime shipments of atomic materials to Russia, a Committee source said today.

The source said that no date had been set for Mr. Wallace's appearance, but he will have to be called.

The Progressive Party announced today that Mr. Wallace had notified the Committee chairman, John Wood, "I would be happy to appear before your Committee at any time."

The Committee has adjourned its inquiry until tomorrow, when it expects to hear Lieut-General Leslie Grove, retired, who was in charge of the wartime atomic project.

The former Air Force major, George Jordan, was questioned briefly last night by investigators for the Joint Congressional Atomic Energy Committee. Mr. Jordan started investigating this day and may be questioned further later.

The chairman of the Congressional Committee, Senator Brian McMahon, revealed that his committee investigators already had questioned General Grove, but he refused to say what, if anything, they found out.

Mr. McMahon did say his investigation was proceeding satisfactorily. His staff had questioned a great many people, including Mr. Jordan. The Committee would have all the facts before it decided whether to hold full-scale public hearings.

Licences Issued

House investigators will seek General Grove's particularly about testimony that he tried unsuccessfully to block shipments of raw uranium, heavy water and uranium metal to Russia.

The State Department has confirmed that export licences were issued for at least four shipments of atomic materials in 1943. The first two involved unpro-



HENRY WALLACE

cessed uranium and were believed to be not too important.

What the un-American Activities Committee really is interested in are two later Russian orders for 25 pounds of uranium metal and two pounds of heavy water.

While insignificant in amount, these materials could have been used for atomic bomb research.

Another thing the spy-hunters hope to learn from General Grove's is whether "doctored" shipments of uranium may have been sent to Moscow deliberately to deceive the Russians about the atom bomb. The Committee chairman said there had been hints to that effect.

The Russians tried to get secret radar equipment as well

PEARL HARBOUR CEREMONY

Pearl Harbour, December 6.

Brief ceremonies will be held on Wednesday aboard what remains of the battleship Arizona in memory of those who died in the surprise Japanese attack eight years ago.

Captain E. B. Harp, Pacific Fleet Chaplain, will lead a small group of military and civil officials in prayer. It is considered fortunate for a large group to go aboard. The Arizona sits out of the water where it was struck.—Associated Press.

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BRITAIN PRESSING AMERICA ON ISSUE OF RECOGNITION

London, December 6.

The British still are pressing the United States to recognise Communist China coincident with British recognition.

London Government officials contend that such a move would not necessarily indicate that either approves the Red regime.

An informed source said there was some difference of opinion between the two nations on what diplomatic recognition meant.

Britain has decided on recognition of the new Peking government for practical reasons, he said.

She holds that such an act does not mean approval either of the Communist regime or its policies.

"It means simply that the Communists now control China and the British Government feels that it is better to watch what goes on there from the inside than from the outside," declared the source.

This source, in a position to have first-hand knowledge of talks between Washington and London on the Chinese question, said there was considerable "middle-thinking" in the United States on the matter of recognition.

"Too many people have been led to believe that recognition is the same as approval," he said.

India's Call

India has called upon the United States to clarify the American position concerning eventual recognition of Peking.

At the same time, India gave the United States definite information that New Delhi intended to grant recognition to the new Red regime soon.

The Ambassador to the U. S. Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, visited the U. S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and told him her brother, Prime Minister Nehru's view that Indian recognition of the Chinese Communists cannot long be delayed because of the realities of the situation.

In turn she asked Mr. Acheson whether the United States had come to any conclusion on what steps it intended to take.

Her statement came as no surprise to Mr. Acheson, who had

abroad, but Mr. Bevin went alone to Washington for international talks last September.

The Foreign Secretary is now resting on the South Coast.

His travel plans are still subject to change but he is expected to fly to Marseilles, take a ship to Egypt, fly over the Persian Gulf to Aden and go on to Ceylon in a British warship.

There is some possibility that he will attend the inauguration ceremonies for the new Indian Republic in New Delhi on January 26. It is known that the Indian Government would like to have him there.—Associated Press.



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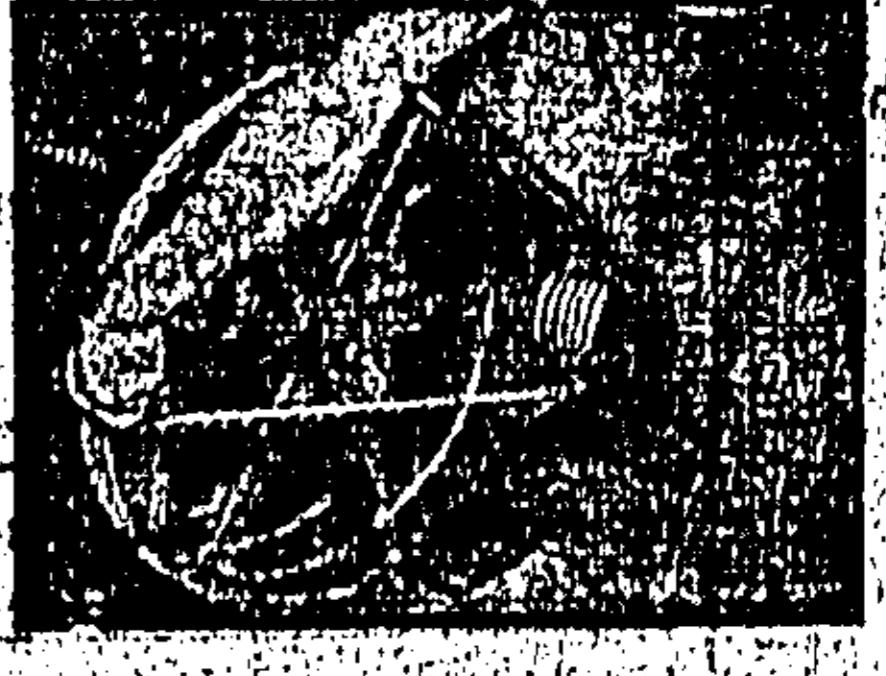
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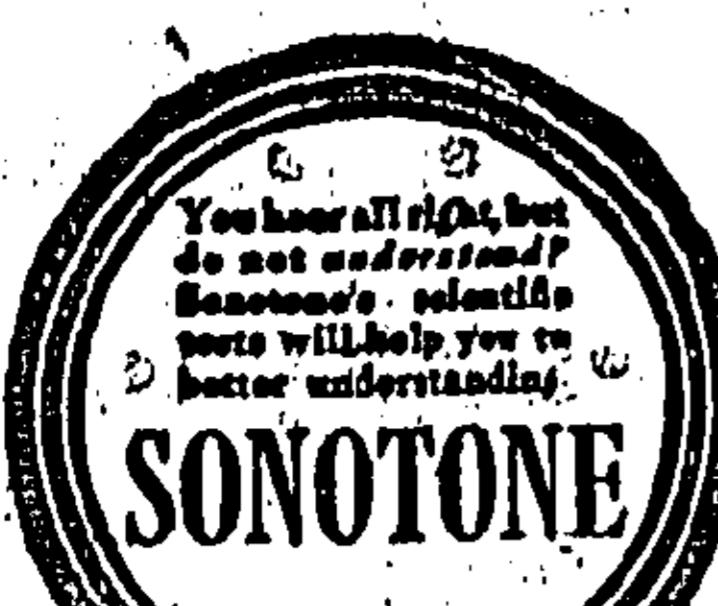
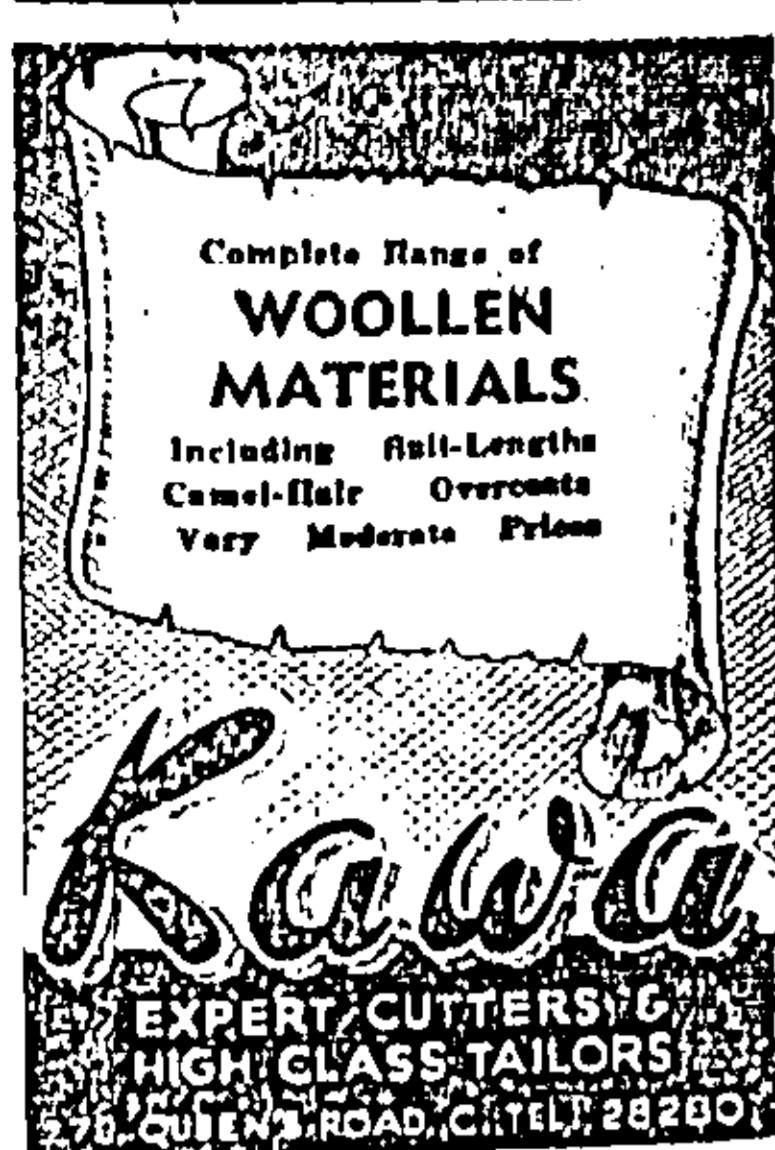
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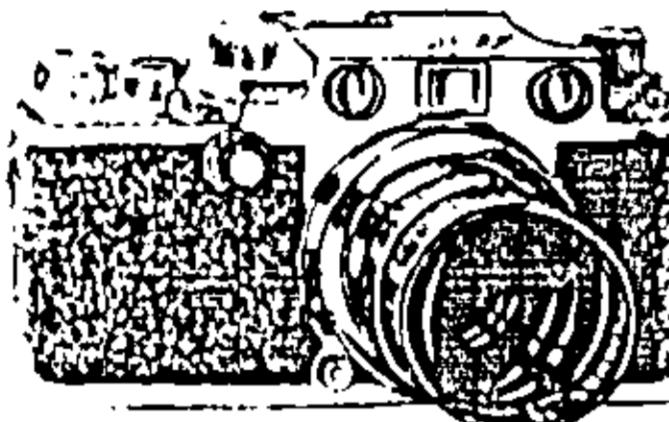
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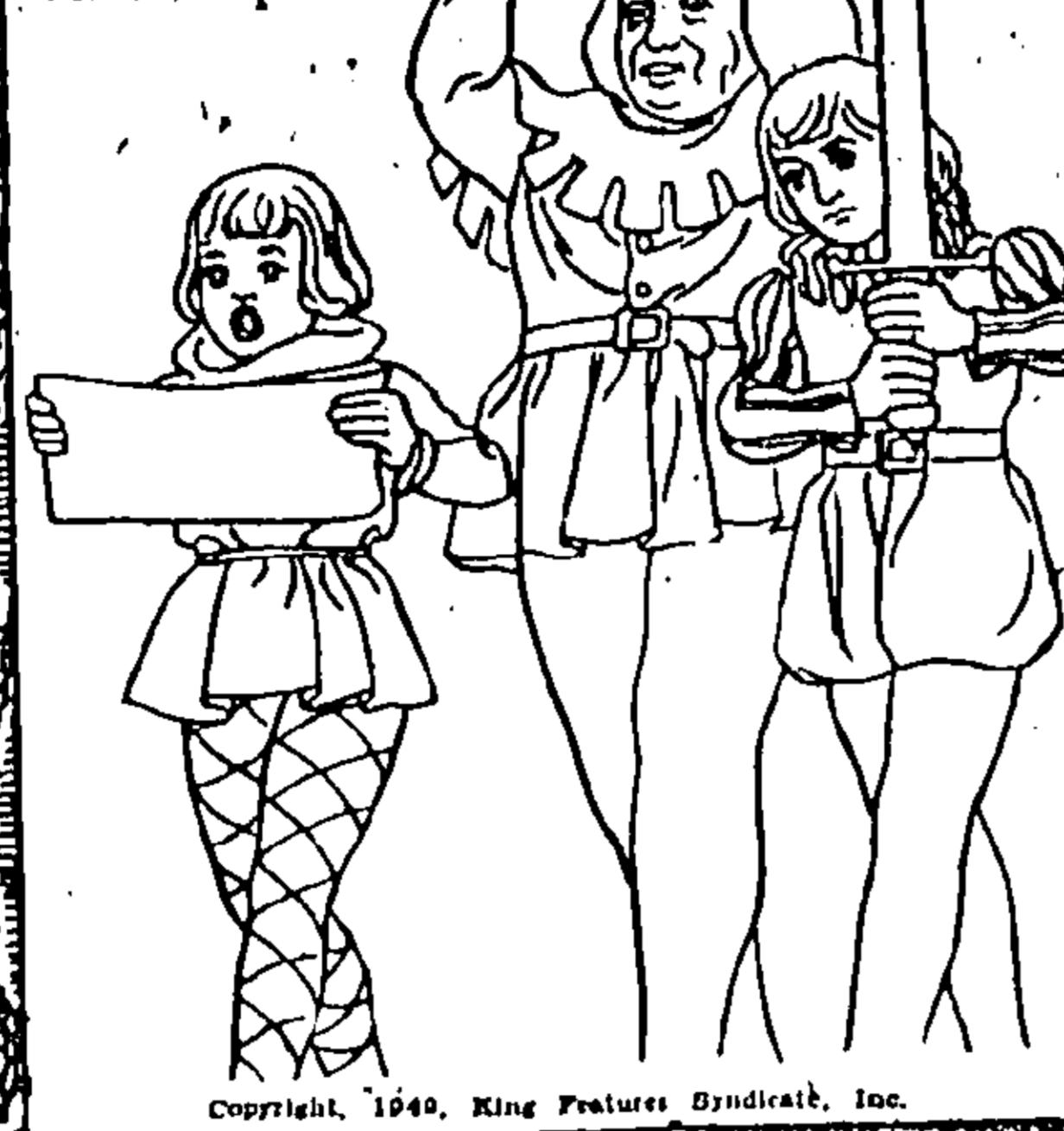
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This is the opinion of Mr. O. M. Green, commentator on Far Eastern affairs, writing in the Conservative "Yorkshire Post" today.

Mr. Green contended that although for several decades the Brooke ruled Sarawak as absolute monarchs, "there had never been the faintest reflection on their rule nor any suggestion that the people of Sarawak were not happy under their Rajahs and well content."

"What is so inexplicable is that a Socialist Government whose creed puts self-government and self-determination for colonial territories in the forefront of their aims, should seemingly have gone out of the way to destroy these privileges in a State where they were happily in practice and guarded by a written constitution," Mr. Green wrote.

"It may conceivably be better for Sarawak to be able to call upon the Government than on what it can itself command. That is not the point. The session was certainly not brought about in a manner that reflects credit upon Whitehall; nor, at the attack on the unfortunate Mr. Stewart shows, to still local discontent.

"The official assertion that the agitation now is confined to the Malays does not improve matters. Pan-Malayanism, which takes within its purview a very large sweep of the South Seas, including the Netherlands East Indies, is by no means beneath notice.

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REFORM CLUB PLATFORM

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Thin End Of Wedge

"The object of this provision in our platform is quite frankly to insert the thin end of the wedge, our final aim being to create a Councillor system; it is essential that members should start possibly in a relatively small way to gain experience of departmental responsibility, and this we propose to do by giving at least two unofficial members of the Executive Council the responsibility to head two government departments—any departments on that Council. This, we hope, will give them the sense of departmental understanding which would otherwise be lacking in the present system of complete division of the Legislature from the Executive."

"The matter before you are of the greatest importance to the citizens of Hong Kong. The platform contains a comprehensive scheme for what the Reform Club will advocate and if in sufficient power, will introduce in the Legislature of this Colony if its members are elected, and once accepted, we must as a Club require the support of every member for the principles of this platform."

"I look forward with hope to the citizens of this Colony approving your platform with their votes and I assure you that I for one, without fear or favour, shall work solidly to introduce as a fact what are now merely the proposals of our platform."

A supporter of the system of "pay as you earn" Mr. Martin said assuming increase in taxation is inevitable, such untapped sources of revenue as a Colony Lottery—a good revenue raiser in other parts of the Empire—could be considered, also a head tax, though on the latter there has been some rumbling of disapproval.

Our problems of housing, education and medicine have been overshadowed by that of the thousands of unfortunate coming from the neighbouring provinces, but in these days when we find ourselves unable even to cope adequately with the paramount claim of the Hong Kong citizen proper, we should apply the principle of "first things first" in dealing with these problems," said Mr. Martin.

Government's policy of least resistance in dealing with the housing problem by requisitioning was criticised by Mr. Martin who said placing the burden on the landlord and interfering with the statutory law of supply and demand, had the effect only of retardating natural expansion and enterprise.

Social Services

Absence of a civic and cultural centre was also criticised by Mr. Martin.

In Hong Kong's charitable and social services Mr. Martin advocated greater use of Government grants but subject always to adequate Government supervision.

On the subject of public services Mr. Martin stood for the minimum of control. Experience elsewhere has shown that Government is not a good business man, he said. It is agreed that one control over profits is desirable and that a reasonable margin should be available to maintain the incentive of economy and efficiency.

For those who are still licking their wounds from the enemy occupation—the man who was unlucky enough not to have been a pre-war civil servant or through straitened circumstances could not participate. In the financial opportunities enjoyed by the few immediately after the war, Mr. Martin said it was the Club's intention to make urgent representations for an equitable share of reparations starting first with the valuable alien properties still unrealised in the Colony.

On Government spending Mr. Martin advocated buying in the cheapest market and a review of the present arrangement of buying through Crown Agents, when local facilities for prompt delivery were available.

On the employment of local personnel in the civil service Mr. Martin said the local boy of Portuguese extraction who had fought, bled and died in the defence of this Colony, should not be disappointed.

More Hospitals

The next speaker, Dr. R.H.S. Lee, advocated more hospitals and more clinics. Existing hospital and medical facilities were reportedly inadequate to cope with the Colony's increased population, said Dr. Lee who also advocated a system of travelling clinics for the New Territories.

The speaker stressed the importance of social welfare in a community like Hong Kong. Wealth and happiness of the people was the best guarantee of their loyalty and integrity. Instances were not wanting where nations had perished because they failed to recognise their obligation towards the welfare of their people.

The next speaker, Mr. Ma Mankin spoke on housing, education and agriculture.

On housing reform Mr. Ma said few people realised how many people in Hong Kong did not have a bed to sleep in. No reform is complete until everyone has a bed to sleep in that he could call his own.

And of the slums Mr. Ma said until every cubicle had a window to give the occupants natural light and fresh air, we would see no diminution in the incidence of tuberculosis.

On the removal of nightsoil Mr. Ma urged that there should be at least one flush water closet in each house. The present nightsoil removing system was a disgrace to a modern city like Hong Kong.

Mr. Ma's next point on housing was that the present wooden staircases should be replaced by

concrete staircases, so that in case of fire occupants could have at least 10 vital minutes in which to make their escape.

He urged the adoption of the Abercrombie Report particularly the removal of the dockyard and barracks in Wan Chai and Nathan Roads. Now that the Services have agreed to move out, there can be no excuse for further shelving of the scheme, urged Mr. Ma.

On the subject of education Mr. Ma said he championed a platform calling for free primary education for the children of all Hong Kong residents and those who have been here for the last 10 years. He said if these people had borne the burden of taxation directly or indirectly for 10 years or more, they had earned the right for their children to have free schooling.

"Much brains have been exercised during the last week regarding the lack of sportsmanship and its importance to the community," said Mr. Ma, "but unless the finest tradition of sportsmanship is ingrained into the young while their formative minds are still impressionable, it will be futile to expect them to be taught when they are old enough to play in league games."

On the subject of agriculture in the New Territories Mr. Ma stressed the necessity of giving more encouragement to the farmers. He attacked the marketing control scheme which he said, though conceived with the best of intentions, was actually causing great hardship to the farmers. They had protested against this control for the last four years. Let without avail, said Mr. Ma.

The present system of administration in the New Territories with power vested in one set of officials was unjust, and properly accredited spokesmen of villages were often prevented from making representations. It was about time the whole system of administration should be reviewed, urged Mr. Ma.

"No platform is perfect and no committee infallible, ours is no different, but it is a compromise between idealism and realism. It is a compromise between opposite schools of thought on the many facets of life in Hong Kong. We may disagree on some of the objectives, but we must admit it is an historical document on which a small body of men, having dedicated themselves for the reform of Hong Kong, could confer, argue and compromise on some common grounds," said Mr. Ma.

Civic Rights

The last speaker, Mr. M.A. da Silva, said that though there might be divergent views among members of the Committee they were all agreed on the general outline of the platform.

The main point of Mr. Silva's talk was his advocacy of the formation of Civic Rights Commission financed but not controlled by Government. He said:—

"If the particular complaint is referred to a single man at some obscure desk in some Government department or is merely aired in a couple of letters addressed captiously and vainly to a newspaper, nothing is done, but if that particular complaint is brought to Government's attention in an organised manner, attention and remedy can be obtained. Again, on the other hand, many complaints are frivolous and without foundation and should first be investigated before it is brought to Government's attention and for both sides of this question, you should therefore have a Civic Rights Commission, which will deal with the matter in an organised and forceful manner."

"For such a Commission, funds are needed and can only properly come from a democratic Government, in such a manner that there is no economic control by Government, over the head or chief and personnel of this Civil Rights Commission."

"These are details to be worked out, later, but the particular significance of this item in the platform is that even with a representative Legislature and a representative Executive Council, vigilance on behalf of the rights of the private citizen and the community should be maintained by an organised and jealously watchful Civil Rights Commission."

Pro-Hong Kong

"This last and perhaps some of the things said by my colleagues or even myself in the past or even today might lead to a misunderstanding that we are anti-Government. This is a 100 per cent (Continued on Page 14)"

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

INDIA TO STOP THE IMPORT OF GRAINS

Now Delhi, December 7.
India will stop all imports of food grains into the country by the end of 1951, according to the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Mr. Nehru declared that the target for the achievement of food self-sufficiency must be reached "whatever happens. Whether there is a cyclone or an earthquake."

Pandit Nehru, who was inaugurating a conference of agricultural officials from all parts of the country, said: "After the target date (December, 1951) we shall not import food grains for our own consumption."

He stated: "This decision is forced on us by the pressure of events. No country can continue to live beyond its means, its production in its fields and imports."

The Prime Minister also forecast progressive reduction in India's imports of food grains during the year 1950. India's requirements of food grains is estimated at about 90 million tons a year. India's internal production does not exceed at present 45 million tons.

The deficit of about 10 percent is made up by imports of food grains.

Imports for the current year are estimated at about 3,000,000 tons, of which 3,570,000 tons have already arrived in India. The total cost of imports this year is estimated at about £12,500,000.

The conference of agricultural officials now meeting here has made certain recommendations for increasing the production of food grains in India.

The recommendations include the formation of larger agricultural units, effective measures against plant pests and diseases, legislation to bring fallow land under cultivation and the compulsory preparation of compost manure by municipalities.

Can Be Done

The conference felt confident that self-sufficiency in food could be achieved by the target date. The conference held the view that uneconomic small holdings caused by fragmentation of land were responsible for the low agricultural yield in the country. It recommended co-operative farming to be introduced at the initial stages in lands reclaimed by the Government for cultivation.

To encourage co-operative farming, it was suggested that cottage industries based on agriculture should be made to thrive so as to provide an additional income to the co-operative societies, organising co-operative units.

To bring fallow land under cultivation, the conference suggested that legislation enabling the Government to direct owners

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Salisbury Sound To Clash With Merry Madcaps

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Oxford Beat Cambridge In Rugger Match

London, December 8. Oxford beat Cambridge by three points to nil in the Inter-Varsity Rugby Union match at Twickenham this afternoon. The score by three points to nil at half-time.

In the 11th minute of the match gave victory to Oxford. Though the try was scored as the result of a defensive error, Oxford's victory was well deserved. For a long time in the first half they had everything to do, score, and they only deserved to retain their number one position this season.

A glorious ball made a dash off the field, but the ball was on both sides of the goal line, and there was no try. The match between the two schools was the better team in the first half, but Oxford had the better tactics.

Where Oxford had the greatest advantage was in their three-quarter line, which was always the more threatening. Gert scored the winning try for Oxford. This was the 88th match in the series, of which Oxford have now won 31, Cambridge 26, with 11 drawn.

The match was watched by a record crowd estimated at 60,000. The match itself was undoubtedly considered South African by the English. He was to play with South Africa and his team was of the highest order.

England's International three-quarter, Cannell, was also in great form, as right wing, while Green, at scrum-half, and the South African Van Rynneid, at stand-off, also played beautifully to score.

Dressed in captain and scrum-half was the pick of the Commandos side, with Williams, the left centre, doing some great work in the three-quarter line.

AUSSIES WIN

Wellington, December 7. The Australian touring team won their two-day match against Western Province Country Districts by an innings and 54 runs today.

The Country Districts were all out in their second innings today, for 163. Yesterday, they made 90 in first innings in reply to Australia's total of 313 for five wickets, declared.—Reuter.

The USS Salisbury Sound who provided Softball fans with a thrilling game last week, will be seen in action again on Sunday, when they take on a strong Merry Madcap side at 3.30 p.m.

Senior jaguars tangle with Hong Kong Pandas in a tilt in which a hairbreadth finish is expected and followers of the Ladies Leagues will be entertained when the Canadians cross bats with the Pirates, and McTire's clash with St. Teresa.

The complete week-end fixtures, with umpires and scorers are:

Men's Senior League

Sunday: CBA Ground, 11 a.m. Canada v. Cumbanchers (Hal Wingley, C. Vayavich, R. A. Bux, Romeo Parrett), 12.30 p.m. Saints v. Chung Hwa (Klaus Nazar, Bill Woo, Fred Diestel, Eddie Lorraine), 2 p.m. Baseballes v. Overseas (Dick Chung, Art Ozorio, Frankie Gonzales, Bimbi Ablong).

Recreo Football Ground, 11 a.m. St. Teresa v. Americans (Buster Holland, Ren Sequeira, Robert Verlynn, Philo Remedios), 12.30 p.m. Date-devils v. Paks Sports (Bill Fluck, Pepi Malig, Romeo Rosario, Bernard Silva); 2 p.m. Pandas v. Jaguars (Skelly Razack, S. H. Khan, Tony Silva, Philo Remedios), 3.30 p.m. US Navy v. Merry Madcaps (V. C. Mel, Raymond Tsao, Ollie Van, Philo Remedios).

Men's Junior League

Saturday: Recreo Football Ground, 2 p.m. Delawares v. Spartans (Bob Low, Hal On, Henry Wong, Samet Samy); 3.30 p.m. Pandas v. Rexes (Les Castro, Bob Heartie, Desmond Lock, Rennie Barretto).

Sunday: CBA Ground, 9.30 a.m. Overseas v. Griffins (Danny Izzat, Lionel Sequeira, Stephen Xavier, Tony Kwok); 3.30 p.m. Aces v. Jaguars (Johnnie Ho, K. K. Sum, Eddie Mason, Eddie Loureiro).

Men's Junior League

G. Silva (S. Tiss) 3 8 5 .875

R. Marques (Sq)

3 11 5 .455

J. Guest (Sq)

3 13 5 .385

Ladies' Senior League

G. AB II Petg (A. Choy (Can) 4 17 8 .471

B. Ribeiro (Wa)

4 18 7 .390

B. Lee (Ph)

4 13 5 .385

Ladies' Junior League

Saturday: CBA Ground, 3.30 p.m. Canadians v. Pirates (Mike Lee, Robert Remedios, E. Rosario; Hal Wingley).

Ladies' Junior League

Saturday: CBA Ground, 2 p.m. McTyreans v. St. Teresa (Don Robbins, Bill Silva, Roberto Nunes; Hal Wingley).

League standings inclusive of games played last week are:

League Table To Date

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MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE

St. Joseph's 5 0 1.000

Pandas

5 2 2 .714

Madcaps

5 3 2 .676

Americans

4 2 2 .667

St. Teresa

4 2 2 .667

Overcas

4 3 2 .571

Chung Hwa

3 4 2 .429

Paks Sports

3 5 2 .375

Duredevils

1 6 1 .442

Cumbanchers

0 7 0 .000

Baseballers

0 8 0 .000

MEN'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

Reyes 7 0 1.000

Blackhawks

6 2 2 .750

Jaguars

5 2 2 .714

Braves

5 3 2 .676

Overcas

4 4 2 .500

Spartans

4 4 2 .500

Aces

3 5 2 .375

Pandas

2 5 2 .286

Griffins

2 7 2 .222

Delaware

0 7 0 .000

Sohoc

1 3 2 .500

Pirates

0 2 0 .000

LADIES SENIOR LEAGUE

Wahoes 3 1 .750

Canadians

2 2 .500

Wildcats

2 2 .500

Pirates

1 3 .250

LADIES JUNIOR LEAGUE

White Fangs 3 1 .750

Squaws

2 1 .007

St. Teresa

2 1 .007

Clovers

1 3 .250

McTyreans

0 2 .000

SNOOKER TOURNAMENT

London, December 6.

Albert Brown, of Birmingham, and Sidney Smith, of Doncaster, started today's play in their News of the World snooker tournament here on twelve frames, each with six frames to a game, and one ball, who receives six points in each frame, led by 10 frames to eight at the interval.

The scores were (Brown first) 68 to 52, 82 to 57, 39 to 76, 50 to 80, 55 to 48, and 113 to 14.—Reuter.

CHINA MAIL

HONG KONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1949.

Sports Pause



The Wing-Half Can Create An Opening

(By ARTHUR ROWE, Manager of Tottenham Hotspur)

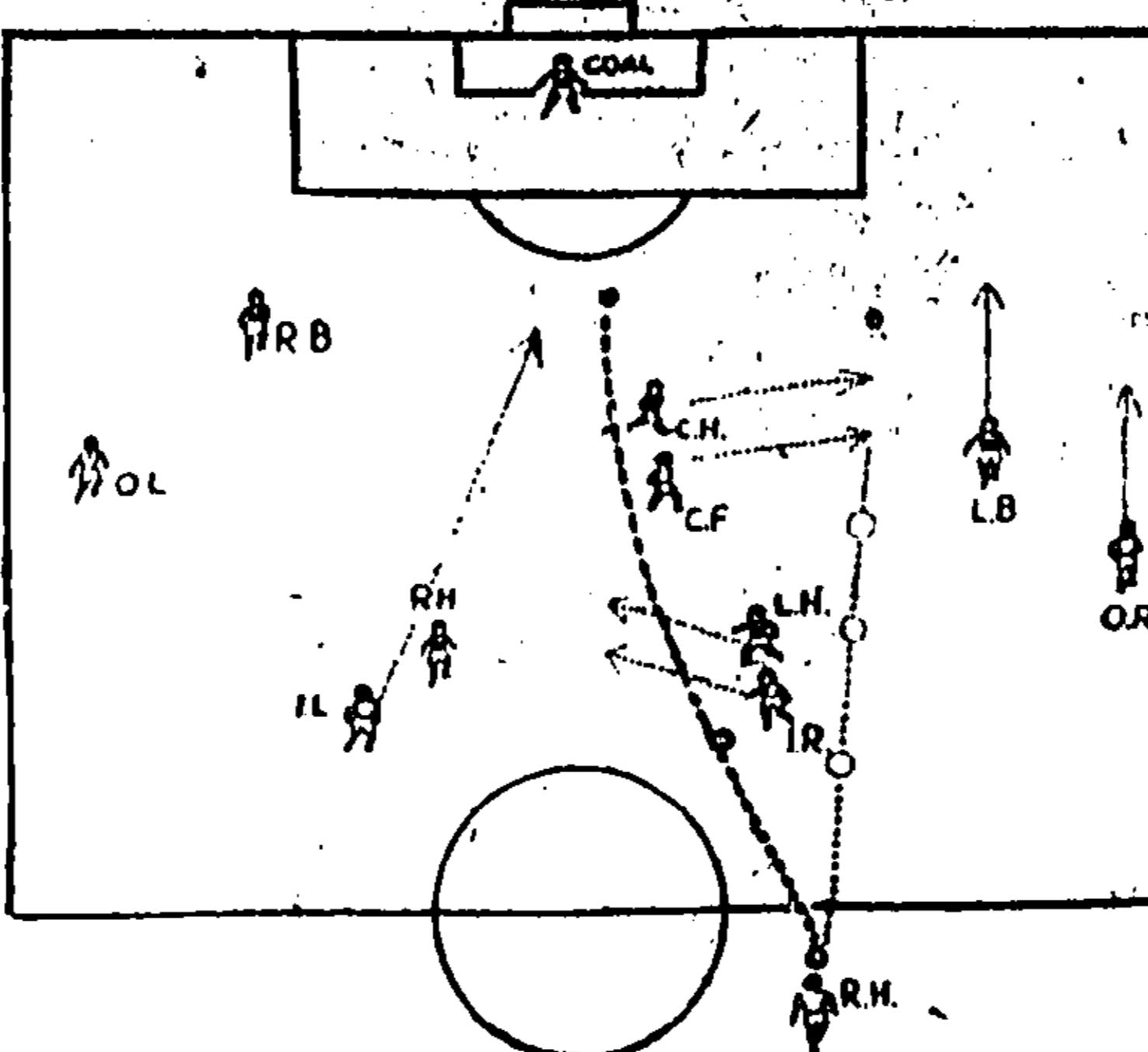
Simplest is the keynote of this move, which enables a half-back to open up the game when the obvious passes to his inside forward or winger are ruled out because these players are covered.

The centre-forward moves out square towards the right wing half where the wing half has the ball and this should take the opposing centre-half out of the middle of the field thus creating a gap.

The inside-left sprints forward to the empty space and the right-half then drives the ball well up the middle for the inside-left to move on to.

If the move does not work there is an alternative.

Should the opposing centre-half stay at home then the right-half plays the ball to the centre-forward who must, obviously, be unmarked.



Commandos Win Rugby Cup Game

Revealing better teamwork, the Commandos deservedly won their postponed Rugby Cup Tournament encounter with the Police on the Club ground yesterday by 33 points to 0.

The Police XV (they were really only 14 men as Marten failed to show up) lost not through lack of trying, but through lack of understanding.

A few minutes after the kick-off the Commandos tried for a penalty goal from the sidelines on the 25-yard line but Wharfe failed by inches.

The Commandos were on the offensive and Wall saved a dangerous situation when he caught a surprise kick ahead by Wharfe.

Harrison, for the Commandos, scored a brilliant try after catching a pass from Wall.

Wharfe, stand-off half, for the Commandos, was in grand form with his kicking and starting the attacking line going.

All that could be said of the Police players were that they tried hard. Wall and Reynolds made several fine tackles but they could not cope with the speedy Commandos.

Dropped Pass

He made amends in the 22nd minute when he evaded several tacklers before passing to Herbert who scored. Fowke failed to convert from difficult angle.

Seven minutes later Harrison lost a fine chance to score when he dropped a pass from McDermott less than 10 yards from the Police goal line.

Then in the 25th minute Herbert obtained the ball from a return until passed to Harris. He dodged through half the Police team and scored between the posts. However, Fowke failed to make the conversion.

The Commandos forwards used their feet to advantage and then Smith picked the ball up on the run and scored near the sideline.

The kick failed.

At half-time the score was 14 points to nil.

Second Half

The rest period did not seem to do the Police any good as they were plumbled on the defensive from the kick-off.

Catching the kick-off by the Police, Harris started a fine passing movement between Fowke and McDermott but was tackled by Wall just before he went over.

From a lineout McDermott passed the ball to Harris. He dodged along the sidelines and Harrison raced up to catch the ball to score. The kick again failed.

Midway through the second half McDermott took a pass and went through the Police defences. He was tackled but fell down, which was converted by Fowke, making the score 22-0.

Soon afterwards McDermott was elbowed through when tackled by Wall. A penalty was awarded against the Police and Fowke scored. The Police players were visibly tiring and in the closing minutes McDermott broke through a pass from Harris to score another try.

Then a minute from time Harris picked up the ball near the side lines in the midfield, dashed end-to-end, and scored to score.